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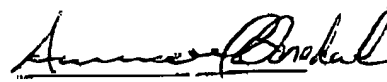
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Attached to this facsimile communication cover sheet is a Reply to Decision Refusing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a), accompanied by Exhibits A, B, and C, faxed this 24th day of February, 2003, to the Office of Petitions, the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 24, 2003


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REPLY TO DECISION REFUSING STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

A Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) was filed in October 2002. On December 23, 2002, the PTO mailed a Decision Refusing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a). This reply is in response to that decision.

As required by the PTO, the undersigned attorney mailed a letter to the nonsigning inventor, Ms. Annette Watson, on January 10, 2003 at the following address, which, at the time, was her last known residence: 241 Beaconsfield Parade, Middle Park, Victoria 3206, Australia. Enclosed with the January 10, 2003 letter were copies of the patent application papers as filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, including the specification, the claims and the drawings. A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney was enclosed as well. A copy of the January 10, 2003, letter, which was mailed by Federal Express, is enclosed as Exhibit A.

The Federal Express package containing the January 10, 2003 letter was returned to the undersigning attorney with an indication that the address identified above was no longer the correct address for Ms. Watson. A copy of the returned Federal Express package is enclosed as Exhibit B.

The undersigned attorney subsequently was informed that Ms. Watson's new residence was 55 St. Vincent Placc, Albert Park, Victoria 3206, Australia. The undersigned attorney

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mailed another letter to Ms. Watson on January 24, 2003. Enclosed with the January 24, 2003 letter were copies of the patent application papers as filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, including the specification, the claims and the drawings. A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney was enclosed as well. A copy of the January 24, 2003, letter, which was mailed by Federal Express, is enclosed as Exhibit C.

During a subsequent telephone call by the undersigned attorney to Federal Express, the undersigned attorney was informed that Ms. Watson had requested that the January 24, 2003 package be delivered to her at her place of employment: Ernst & Young, Level 14, 360 Elizabeth St., Melbourne, Australia. Federal Express has confirmed that the package was delivered as requested by Ms. Watson on February 4, 2003 at about 12:00 p.m.

The undersigned attorney has made several attempts during the past two weeks to reach Ms. Watson by telephone at Ernst & Young to confirm her receipt of the application papers and to inquire whether she believes she was correctly listed as an inventor and whether she intends to sign the declaration. In addition to attempting to contact Ms. Watson on her direct telephone line (61 3 8650 7255) at Ernst & Young, a message was left with Ms. Watson's secretary (61 3 9288 8383) requesting that Ms. Watson contact the undersigned attorney by telephone, mail or email.

To date, the undersigned attorney has not received any correspondence, telephone calls or other communications from Ms. Watson.

In view of the original petition filed in October 2002 and in further view of the additional foregoing efforts to provide Ms. Watson with the application papers and obtain her signature on the declaration, the PTO respectfully is requested to reconsider its initial decision and is requested to grant this application status under 37 C.F.R. 1.47.

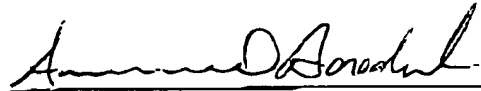
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Applicants: JANICE LINGWOOD, PAUL EVANS, ANDREW CANTOS,
ANNETTE WATSON and PHILIP ASHTON

Our Ref.: 13325-002001

Dear Ms Watson:

I am a patent attorney representing PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) in connection with the U.S. patent application identified above. As I believe you may be aware, you were identified as one of the persons who worked on this project during your employment with PwC, and you were listed as an inventor when the application was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO).

As required by the U.S. PTO, please find enclosed a copy of the entire application, including the specification, the claims and the drawings as filed with the PTO. I also enclose a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney as well as an Assignment, both of which previously were signed by the other named inventors.

Kindly review the enclosed documents and, if you believe you are properly named as an inventor with respect to the enclosed patent application, kindly sign and date the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney on page 3 and return the signed copy to me at the address listed above (or by facsimile). If you do not believe that you are properly named as an inventor, or if you cannot sign the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for any other reason, I would appreciate your letting me know as soon as possible. In addition to the contact information listed above, I can be reached by email at Borodach@fr.com.

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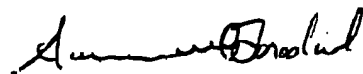
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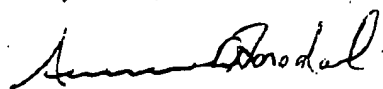
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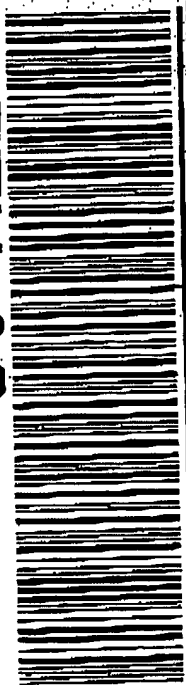
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